1 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21 2 (By Delegates J. Miller, Anderson, Andes, Armstead, Ashley, 3 Azinger, Border, Canterbury, Carmichael, Cowles, Duke, Ellem, 4 Ellington, Evans, Gearheart, Hamilton, Householder, Howell, 5 Ireland, Kump, Lane, C. Miller, Nelson, O'Neal, Overington, 6 Pasdon, Romine, Rowan, Savilla, Sigler, Snuffer, Sobonya, Storch, 7 Sumner and Walters) 8 9 10 11 Declaring that February 6 be proclaimed "Ronald Reagan Day" beginning in 2011. 12 13 WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble 14 background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and 15 advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, 16 union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California and 17 President of the United States; and WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for 18 19 two terms as the fortieth President of the United States of 20 America; the second of which he earned the confidence of three-21 fifths of the electorate and was victorious in forty-nine of the 22 fifty states in the general election, a record unsurpassed in the 23 history of American presidential elections; and

WHEREAS, In 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated President,

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- 1 he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation
- 2 and high unemployment; and
- 3 WHEREAS, During Mr. Reagan's presidency he worked in a
- 4 bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring
- 5 accountability and common sense to government which led to an
- 6 unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions of
- 7 Americans; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Reagan's commitment to an active social policy
- 9 agenda for the nation's children helped lower crime and drug use in
- 10 our neighborhoods; and
- 11 WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our Armed Forces
- 12 contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her values and
- 13 those cherished by the free world, and prepared America's Armed
- 14 Forces to meet 21st Century challenges; and
- WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength"
- 16 led to the end of the Cold War and the ultimate demise of the
- 17 Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions of
- 18 people; and
- 19 WHEREAS, February 6, 2011, will be the 100th anniversary of
- 20 Ronald Reagan's birth and the seventh since his passing; therefore,
- 21 be it
- 22 Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:
- That February 6 be proclaimed "Ronald Reagan Day" beginning in 24 2011.